THE DAILY INDEPENDENT.

VOL. 4. NO. 222 MONESSEN, PA., TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 1906. SIX CENTS THE WEEK

MONESSEN OPERA HOUSE.

THE CORNELL STOCK CO. In a Repertoire of Comedies and Dramas
SPECIAL SCENERY, COSTUMES AND MUSIC
PRICES 10, 20 and 30c Seats for sale at Whites Book Store
TONIGHT "A SOUTHERN ROMANCE"

ONE SOLID WEEK Commencing MARCH 19

MUST SPEND A YEAR IN PEN.

Rev. Geo. Atlas, Former Monongahela Man Will Serve Year for Misdeeds

Rev. Geo. Atlas, formerly of Monongahela, who is known along the Monongahela Valley as the Syrian minister, has been sentenced to serve one year in the Eastern penitentiary by the United States court at Philadelphia for the securing of fraudulent naturalization papers for foreigners.

Atlas went to Monongabela a number of years ago and until recently was well thought of and had been engaged in the ministry. During his stay there he figured prominently in the courts acting as interpreter in several cases in which Syrians were called as witnesses

He was finally suspected of being connected with several crooked deals and becoming alarmed, left the town suddenly, giving no reason for his going. His mysterious disappearance caused considerable excitement and comment at the time, but it was some weeks before he was finally located in Cleveland, Ohio.

Atlas, after being made acquainted with the accusations brought by the Monongahela officers, declared his innocence which he stated he could prove if given a chance. After he had been in Cleveland some time, he was placed under arrest by a United States marshall on a charge of securing fraudulent naturalization papers and taken to Philadelphia, where he was held awaiting trial before the United States Court.

It was later found that Atlas had been plying his unlawful business for years and had worked at the New York docks, exacting large sums of money from a number of foreigners before going to Monongahela. He was also connected with a number of other scenes by which the ignorant foreigners were separated rom their coin.

SLIGHT BLAZE LAST NIGHT.

Had Flames Gained Headway High Winds Would Have Caused Disastrous Fire.

A small blaze in one of the upper rooms of the building at the corner of Third Street Donner avenue was responsible for the fire alarm being sounded last night about 11:30 But before the firemen, who responded promply arrived the occupants, who were foreigners, had succeeded in extinguishing the fire which was of little consequence with practically no damage. Had the flames gained the lightest start a most disastrous fire would have resulted owing to the high winds which was blowing at the time.

ENTERTAINMENT WILL BE GIVEN

Under Auspices of Bethany Baptist Church Tuesday March 27.

A "Popular Entertainiment" will be given Tuesday evening March 27 in the opera house under the auspices of the Bethany Baptist Church. The program will be announced in Saturday's issue. Owing to the phenominal sale of tickets which is being sold, by the offer of prizes to the one selling the largest number, a large audience will no doubt be present The entertainment will be of a popular nature home talent being used exclusively.

Performance Pleased Audience.

The Cornell Stock Co. gave their initial performance last evening and taking into consideration the weather conditions, a good sized audience was present. The play itself was fine and it is safe to say that there was not a dissatisfied spectator in the audience. The specialties were excellent, especially that of "The Mysterious Zelda," this in itself being worth the price of admission. The company will be here all week and a crowded house is looked for each evening.

INTERESTING NEWS

Gathered by Our Reporters in Monessen and Vicinity.

Sick Room requisites at LIGHT'S.

Mrs. Wm. Lamont is reported ill of pneumonia.

When you need drugs you need them right.—LIGHT.

Miss Gertrude Rainey spent yesterday with friends in Pittsburg.

Take your prescription to LIGHT LIGHT'S DRUG STORE.

Mrs. D. H. Barr, of Smithfield, is visiting her son, C. W. Miller.

Light's Drug Store caters to the family needs —LIGHT'S.

Sam Wagner has accepted a position at the Clothing store of Levy Bros.

The beautiful skin is the healthful skin Kirk's Carnation Cream makes your skin soft and smooth and healthy.

Mrs. Thos.Rainey is visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. J. Pendergrast, of Sharon.

Get a pound of 60c candy for 40c at LIGHT'S DRUG STORE.

Miss Hallie Feightner has returned home from McKeesport, where she has been visiting friends.

Best paints, varnishes, glass and hardware at the People's Lumber Co.

Ed. Pittman returned today from Pittman, Alabama, where he was called by the death of his brother.

High grade material, delivered promptly by the People's Lumber Co.

Mrs. J. B. Brickmont suffered a severe attack of palpitation of the heart last night, but is slightly better today.

Dr. Barben, Dentist — Gold, crown and bridge work a specialty.

W. E. Carrol, of Monongahela, representing R. H. Voscamp & Sons, was calling on Monessen merchants today.

If you are particular about the medicine you take when you are sick, better let us furnish them Kirk's Drug Store

Mrs. E. R. Rinard has returned to her home at Terra Alta W. Va., after a few weeks spent with friends in town.

Toilet articles are a specialty with us—LIGHT'S DRUG STORE.

Miss Margaret Gorman, trimmer for Janovitz's Millinery department, is busy getting things in shape for the Easter display.

Candy Goodness—The Apollo Chocolates at Kirk's.

Mrs. J E. Montgomery, of Hazelwood. who for the past few days has been visiting relatives in town, returned home this morning.

Candy Goodness—The Apollo chocolates at Kirk's.

David Jacobson, representing the Lautheim Bros., diamond importers of New York, was transacting business in town yesterday

Life like portraits painted in oil, any size, durable and cheap. A. Davenport, 301 Sixth street.

Something should be done to prevent teams driving over the ash walks in the lower part of town. A walk is no sooner laid than it is practically destroyed. The practice should be stopped.

Ache Destroyer—Thats Red Oil Liniment at Kirk's Drug Store.

Wm. Hughes, foreman of the Tin House at the Tin Plate mill, was badly burned Friday night. The burns, although not of a serious nature, will confine him to his home for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lamont and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lamont, of New Texas, and Mr. Mathew Longridge, of Barton Md., who were here attending the funeral of the late Wm. Lamont, returned home today.

Frank King Better.

Word was received from McKeesport this morning that the condition of Frank King, of that place, who has been seriously ill of pneumonia, is much improved and he will soon be able to be about. Frank has many friends in Monessen, to whom this will be good news.

SHOULD SELECT GOOD MEN.

Those Who Are Well Qualified to Represent Our County as Law-makers.

Though it is somewhat premature to be speculating on the political contest for the spring primaries, yet the politicians throughout the county are already giving the matter earnest attention. It is of course impossible at this time to foreshadow developments. The Republican leaders of the county waited with great anxiety the results of the recent election and will be governed accordingly in endorsing men to be voted for at the primaries in June.

Several candidates throughout the country have been spoken of for the legislature, two of them good strong Republicans, who would do credit to the party and represent the people in office.

This is an important office and it is to be hoped that the Republican party of Westmoreland county will endorse no man to fill it who is not in every way well qualified

Monessen will take a hand in the fight and will battle for clean representatives, men who will represent the people, the masses and not the bosses We want laws that are made for the people, the typical American citizens who have created the government, protected and supported it, and who should control and conduct it.

The Republican party should send men to the legislature who will be true to the original party principles and in the words of Lincoln make for us "A government of the people, by the people and for the people." This is "straight" politics

Druggist Miller has received a fresh lot of Hyomei, the catarrh remedy, that he guarantees will cure or cost nothing.

Hyomei costs you nothing unless it cures you of catarrh Deposit $1 at Miller's Pharmacy and if Hyomei fails to cure, he will refund the money.

FOR SALE.

Cottage of five rooms and reception hall, pantry, cellar terraced lawn, fine lot 40x140 feet on Schoonmaker avenue. Price....	$2600 00
Fine center hall, solid brick house, nine rooms and bath cemented cellar, laundry in basement, front and rear porches, hard wood finished floors, this is natural finish throughout, the best that money will buy. Price with two full lots	6000 00
Will sell with one lot at $1100 00 less than price quoted. This is a decided bargain for some one looking for a nice home.	
Residence of 9 room, reception hall and bath, finished attic and cellar, hardwood cabinet mantles, finished floors, front and back porches, sodded lawn and terrace, stone steps and cement walks, nice garden and some fruit, well situated on paved street, terms car be arranged. Price,...	5200 00
Brick veneered slate roof cottage, six rooms, hall and bath, nice lawn and garden, property in elegant condition, and in a nice location, cheap at...........	3100 00

See E. JEFFRIES.

Litzinger's Pharmacy.

We Recommend Sharp & Dohm's Helitrope Toilet Powder.

PRESCRIPTIONS compounded with the purest chemicals obtainable in the market. Fine Candies, Brushes, Rubber Specialties, Sundries, Etc.

NIGHT BELL is Always Cheerfully RESPONDED TO

Schoonmaker Avenue.

TO BUSY TO WRITE ADS.

J. E. Sutcliffe & Co.

THE BIG CHINA STORE

Good Goods at Little Prices

439 DONNER AVENUE, - - - MONESSEN, PA.

YOU CAN SAVE MONEY

To enable every man, woman and child in Monessen and surrounding towns to get their teeth attended to, we will practice **First-class Dentistery** at the following prices

PLATES $5.00

PLATES $5.00

Gold Crowns 22k $3 up — Porcelain Crowns $3
Bridge Work 22k $3 up — Silver Filling - 50c

ALL WORK GUARANTEED.

REMEMBER our easy payment system may be of interest to you.

PHILADELPHIA DENTAL PARLORS,

First door to left top of stairs

Savings & Trust Co. Bldg. MONESSEN

NEW LUMBER YARDS

--

Cor. Mohawk and Donner Ave.

WHEN in the market for anything in the building line let us give you our prices. We have our own timber and our own mills and we sell direct from the stump to the consumer. We know we can save you money.

RINARD BROTHERS

Terra Alta, W. Va.
AND Monessen, Pa.

WHY NOT?

Buy your Hardware, Housefurnishings, Gas Ranges and Everything in the line of Hardware from us, as we can save you money as well as guarantee satisfaction.

Agent for the Good Luck Stoves and Sherwin & Williams .....Paints.....

H. J. Bearer & Co.

449 and 451 Donner Avenue.

WANT ADS ONE CENT A WORD.

To Let—Furnished rooms with bath privileges: inquire Mrs. Johnston, 539 Schoonmaker avenue.

Wanted—Position as porter in hotel by English speaking Finlander. Address C. L., Monessen, box 53 3t

Wanted—Saleslady—F. W. Woolworth & Co. 5 and 10c store.

For Rent—Two rooms and bath, 426 McKee avenue near Fourth Street.

EDGAR E. DRAKE,

TEACHER OF

Piano, Harmony and History

33 E. Schoonmaker Ave.,

Bell 'Phone 66-R

JAS. A. WATKINS,

Justice of the Peace

All Legal Matter Attended to.

423 Donner Avenue. MONESSEN, PA.

HERE YOU ARE!

Now is the time to leave your order for a nice Easter Suit.

A fine line of Spring Suitings to select from.

ALL WORK GUARANTEED

Anton Fisher,

The Up-to-Date Tailor

2nd Floor, Monessen Savings & Trust Bldg.

FOR RENT.

Three 6-room houses, Bath and cemented cellar, yards nicely fenced, $25 per month, water free, located on Reed avenue corner of 6th Street will sell the properties at bargain on monthly payments.

JEFFRIES

Monessen Savings & Trust Co.

MEYERS STORE

March 20 1906.

This is Just the kind of Weather to

Try on one of our New Spring Rain Coat

...PRICES...

$10, $12, $15 up to $25

M. Meyers & Son

Monessen Savings and Trust Company.

CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND . . PROFITS . .

$180,000.00

Now that times are prosperous again, take advantage and save some portion of your earnings. It is not what you earn but what you save that makes wealth. The rapidity with which it will grow will both surprise and please you.

Money Wanted

We will make reductions on our different line of goods Saturday. Such as Shoes, Ladies and Gents ware and fine Ladies' Skirt values will go at
Value $3 98 will go for $2.48
Value $7 will go for $4.50
Value $1.50 Skirts go for 98c
Value $2 Waists go for $1.25
Value $1 50 Waists go for 98c
Value $1.25 Waists go for 75c
Childern's Girdles 29c
Ladies fine Corsets 25c
All dollar Corsets will go for 75c
Flowers, Mull and Shiffon's go at ½ price
10 per cent off on Granite ware, Dishes and Household and other goods including, knives, forks and spoons of which will be saving a good deal of your money
Saturday and Monday
Bargains for everybody

S. B. CORN'S,

447 Donner Ave MONESSEN

FOR SALE

Four good resident properties in Belle Vernon. Six resident properties, and some good business properties in Monessen.

509 acres of coal land in Jefferson township, Washington county, Pa.

Reeves House in Belle Vernon, Pa.

W. W. LUCE & CO.

BOWLING

Is one of the oldest games of which we have any record in history.

The cave dwellers bowled on the green sward with round stones. You will find the equipment at the "CAPITOL" Alleys much superior.

Donner Avenue.

Open every day and evening. Prizes for high scores.

THE MONESSEN DAILY INDEPENDENT.

Published Every Day Except Sundays and Holidays by the
Independent Publishing Company,
Monessen, Pa.

M WYANT, Pres. G. C DIEHL, Sec'y
H. R. PORE, Manager, Editor and Treasurer

Offices, Rinehart Bldg., Cor Schoonmaker Ave. and Sixth St.

The Only Daily Newspaper in Monessen.

$3.00 Per Year. 6 Cents Per Week
Delivered to Any Part of the City.

ENTERED AT POSTOFFICE AT MONESSEN, PA AS SECOND-CLASS MATTER

ANDREW Carnegie is willing to invest a few of his loose millions in the great cause of spelling reform. Will he please start the good work by spelling his name just as he would have it pronounced, as no two persons appear to agree on that important matter.

THE Miss. legislature has considered a bill to abolish bridge whist, euchre and other card games, and now a lawmaker proposes to legalize lynching. The Mississippi taste for amusement is evidently peculiar.

A special from Kansas City says that a plumber was held up and robbed there last week This will probably bring a glow of satisfaction to the hearts of the householders of the western city. It's hard to believe though.

OPERATORS who see little chance of averting the coal strike, should take a look at the latest copyright photograph of a gentleman familiarly known as Teddy.

IN future, it is reported Mr. Dowie will be "relieved" of the sordid and menial task of handling the money, and can attend to the "prophecy department" exclusively.

SOME people go so far as to say Hearst, of New York will be our next president.

Luck Money

"Handsel" is the first money received in the day ("luck money") that which is given back for luck by the seller to the buyer Spitting upon it is the essence of the whole [illegible], and is practiced to-day not only all over England, but all over the world We know from many classical authors that virtue was believed by ancient Greeks and Romans (see Potter, Arch. Graec [illegible], 117) to lie in the [illegible] and there is also abundant evidence of the belief all through the [illegible] ages and now in the twentieth century it remains as strong as ever [illegible] John says [illegible] the [illegible] when they had [illegible] it from my mother how [illegible] spit upon it [illegible] that it [illegible] them [illegible] not tell the reason [illegible] to keep off witchcraft The same is done by [illegible] and Italians At Posilippo I gave a [illegible] to a deaf mute He first spat [illegible] then put it to his forehead [illegible] devoutly [illegible] with it [illegible] by modern [illegible] Even in [illegible] Celebes the [illegible] in the [illegible] is a protective rite —Notes [illegible] Queries

The Real Thing

[illegible] please? [illegible] $2,000 [illegible] card what I [illegible] from old [illegible] and I'm [illegible] 'em to my lawyer —Cleveland [illegible]

Translating the Definition.

Johnny—Papa, what does precocious mean? Papa It means—a—it is a term applied to children who know more than is usual at their age. Johnny—Yes, it means a fresh kid

---

HAVE SOME
Ice Cream
and make it yourself. It will be pure and just right in every way if you use
D-Zerta
Ice Cream Powder
Everything in the package No cooking or heating Just add one quart milk and freeze Makes nearly two quarts and can be made in ten minutes. Five flavors.
Sold by all grocers Two packages 25c
PLEASES EVERYBODY

NEURALGIA
is cured by
ATH-LO-PHO-ROS
Don't wait, but come to our store NOW and get a bottle.
IT WILL CURE YOU.
We recommend it to our customers because it's good
E. A. Daniels Drug Co.
MONESSEN, PA

Sour Stomach
No appetite loss of strength, nervousness, headache, constipation, bad breath general debility sour risings, and catarrh of the stomach are all due to indigestion Kodol cures indigestion This new discovery represents the natural juices of digestion as they exist in a healthy stomach combined with the greatest known tonic and reconstructive properties Kodol Dyspepsia Cure does not only cure indigestion and dyspepsia, but this famous remedy cures all stomach troubles by cleansing purifying, sweetening and strengthening the mucous membranes lining the stomach
Mr S S Ball of Ravenswood, W Va says — I was troubled with sour stomach for twenty years Kodol cured me and we are now using it in milk for baby
Kodol Digests What You Eat.
Bottles only $1.00 Size holding 2½ times the trial size which sells for 50 cents
Prepared by E. O. DeWITT & CO., CHICAGO
For Sale at Beck's Drug Store

Dr. KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY
Pleasant to take, Powerful to Cure, And Welcome in Every Home.
KIDNEY and LIVER cure.
[illegible]
[illegible] Calendar

Pennsylvania Railroad

Schedule in Effect January 1, 1906.

TRAIN LEAVES LOCK No. 4

For Monongahela City, Pittsburg and principal intermediate stations 15 11, 7 09 10 11 a m 1 21, 3 36 5 58, 7 53 p. m week days Sundays 7 15 a m 12 12, 2 52, 5 59 9 18 p. m.

For Brownsville and intermediate stations 6 20, 8 01 9 58, a m., 12 36, 2 52, 5 07, 8 18, p m , f1 15 night week days Sundays 8 46, 11.25 a. m , 3 02, 6 51, 11 40 p m

For West Brownsville 2 52 5 07 p m week-days.

For Uniontown 6 30 a m 12 36 p m. week days.

"f" Stops only on signal or notice to agent to receive passengers.

W. W. ATTERBURY, Gen Mgr.
J. R. WOOD, P T M
GEO W. BOYD, Gen Pass. Agt.

Upholstering...
of all description done at Reasonable prices, etc.
Call at Once
GINSBERG BROS.
437 Donner Ave., Monessen, P-

B. & B.
curtain madras

Handsomest Colored Madras we've ever asked you to see—eighty-three separate and distinct styles, 25c to $1.50.

Many new and handsome stained glass effects, worthy of most careful consideration by all who wish something new, stylish and distinctive for little money.

New Spring stock Hofi Fibre Rugs and Carpets now here.

Prices lower than last year on some sizes.

Hofi Carpet a yard wide, 35c

BOGGS & BUHL,
ALLEGHENY, PA.

Voice Culture, Piano & Organ
Taught at
Spriggs Musical Studio
Opening on Saturday afternoon, Sept 16, 1905, at 2 30 o'clock, for further information call at 418 Motheral Ave Also prepared to tune and repair pianos and and organs at shortest notice, finish cases, make the old look like new
W. A. SPRIGGS,
420 Motheral Ave, MONESSEN, PA

ONE NIGHT OUT
Florida New Orleans and Cuba
reached in comfort via
QUEEN & CRESCENT ROUTE
AND
SOUTHERN Ry.
THREE TRAINS A DAY
Chicago & Florida Special
In Service, January 8th, 1906.
Through Pullman service from Chicago, Cleveland, Indianapolis and Columbus, via Big Four Route; Detroit and Toledo via Pere Marquette and C H & D Ry , and Louisville via Southern Railway; connecting with solid Pullman train leaving Cincinnati 9.25 P. M. for Jacksonville and St Augustine.
Florida Limited
Through Pullman service from Chicago and Indianapolis via Monon and C H & D Ry; connecting with solid train leaving Cincinnati 8 30 A M. for Jacksonville and St. Augustine, also through Pullman Service to New Orleans.
Queen & Crescent Special
Solid train Cincinnati to New Orleans via Chattanooga and Birmingham, also through Pullman service to Jacksonville via Asheville and Savannah.
Winter Tourist tickets now on sale at reduced rates. For information apply.—
W. W. DUNNAVANT, T. P. A , Warren, O
W. A. GARRETT, General Manager, W. C. RINEARSON, Gen. Pass'r Agent,
CINCINNATI, O.

A. Kandzer & Co.
Successors to M. Badzik & Co.
324 Donner Ave.,
Monessen, Pa.
......NEW......
Meat Market and Grocery Store....
Best of Fresh and
Smoked MEATS,
Fancy Groceries,
4 cans of Peas 25c
4 " Corn 25c
4 " Baked Beans 25c.
Large 3lb can String Beans 25c. 4 doz sweet Pickels 25c.
G. B. GUIST,
Manager,

Leave Orders for Poultry.
Country Produce
Poultry
Oysters, Fish,
Butter,
Cheese, etc,
POULTRY A SPECIALTY.
C. W. MILLER,
BELL PHONE 47
559 Schoomaker Ave , Monesson

LADIES [illegible]
Safe, speedy regulator [illegible]
Booklet free DR LAFRA [illegible]

Dont' Get An Axe

and go after trade, but take an ad. in the Independent and be convinced that you can get business if you want it. This paper goes whirling all over the hills and valleys of the community every evening and lights into almost every English speaking home. It is therefore a trade getter.

Try Its Colums.

Try Its Job Rooms.

F. C. ALEXANDER,
Manager
Monessen Collecting Agency.
Will collect your bills cheaper than you can do it yourself.
Collections of All Kinds
Lowest Terms. Everything Confidential.
3rd Floor 548 Donner Ave.

If You Know We Can Please You
in quality and price, we know you would not go elsewhere to buy your Jewelry, Watches, clocks, etc.
FINE WATCH REPAIRING
PORTER. Proprietor of Monessen Jewelry Store,
[illegible] Schoonmaker Ave. MONESSEN, PA

M. ENTINGER
Schoonmaker Avenue.
Keeps a Fine Line of Up-to-date Groceries
Eggs, Butter and Green Goods,
GIVE US A CALL AND BE CONVINCED
Bell 'Phone 56-R

The People's National Bank
560 Donner Ave,, MONESSEN, PA.
GEORGE NASH, Pres JESSE HANCOCK, Cashier.
JOHN IRONS, Vice Pres. JOHN S DUVALL, Ass't Cashier.
The Officers of the Bank Request a Personal Interview with Any One Who Desires Information As to The Banks Methods or Terms

SEE OUR NEW SPRING STYLES
. . . IN STREET HATS
New line of Ribbons and latest creations in Belts, now ready for inspection
CORRIGAN SISTERS, Donner Avenue

A dose of Pineules at bed time will usually relieve backache before morning. These beautiful little globules of [illegible] gelatine coated and when moistened and placed in the mouth you can't keep from swallowing them Pineules contain neither sugar nor alcohol—just gums and resins obtained from our [illegible] pine forests, combined with other well known bladder, kidney, blood and backache remedies Sold by C. A. Light.

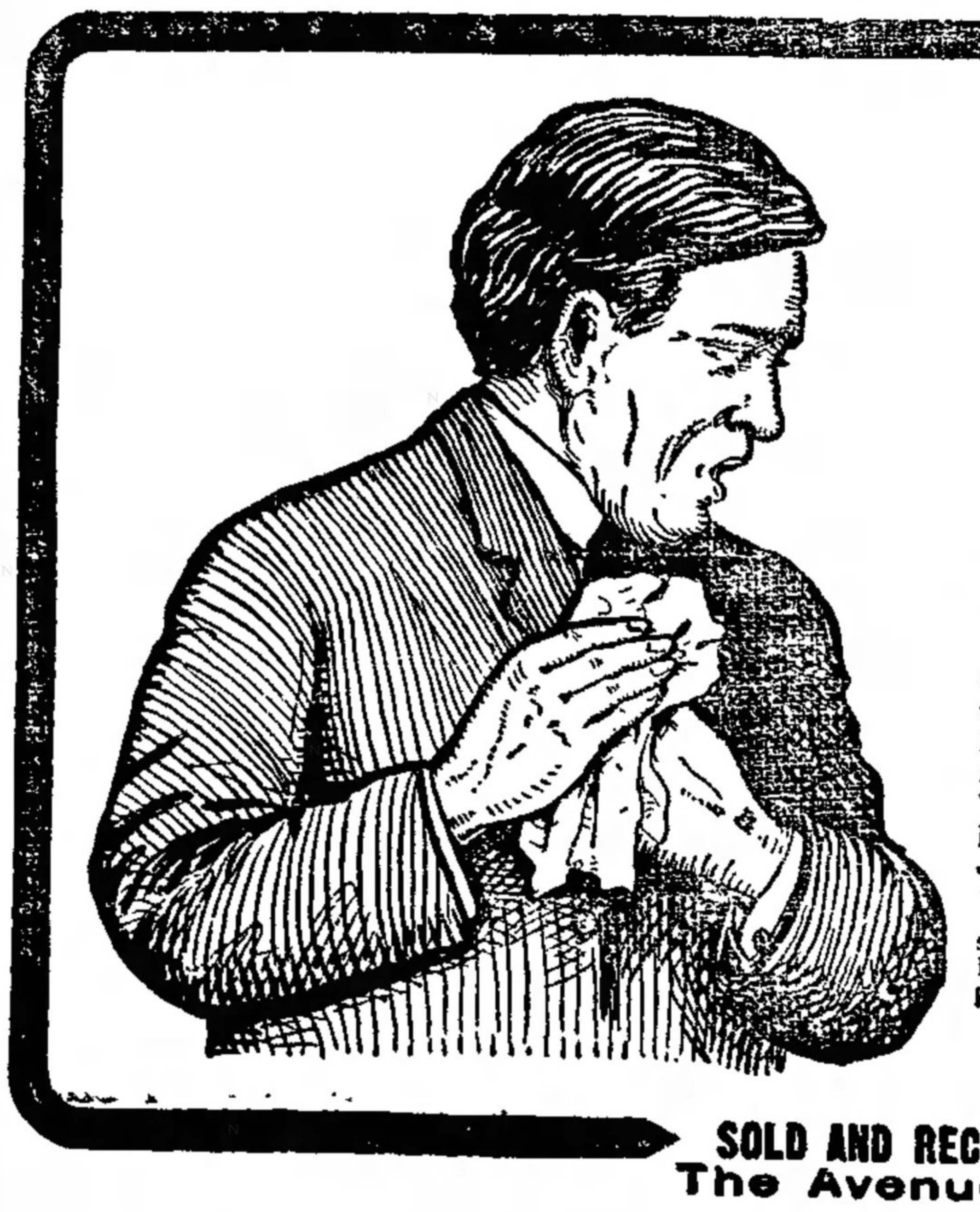
"I suffered day and night the torment of itching piles Nothing helped me until I used Doan's Ointment. It cured me permanently." —Hon. John R Garrett Mayor, Girard Ala.

The pills that act as a tonic and not as a direct purge are Dewitt's Little Early Risers They cure Headache, Constipation, Biliousness, Jaundice, etc, Early Risers are small and easy to take and easy to act Sold by R W Beck

Harsh physics react, weaken the bowels cause chronic constipation Doan's Regulets operate easily, tone the stomach cure constipation 25c. Ask your druggist for them.

The most pleasant and positive cure for indigestion, heartburn and all stomach troubles is Ring's Dyspepsia Tablets They aid digestion, tone and strengthen the stomach. Sold by C. A. Light

Kodol DYSPEPSIA CURE
DIGESTS WHAT YOU EAT
The $1.00 bottle [illegible] which sells for 50 cents.
PREPARED ONLY AT THE LABORATORY OF
E. C. DeWITT & COMPANY, CHICAGO, ILL.
Sold at Beck's Drug Store, Monessen.



SORE LUNGS
When your lungs are sore and inflamed from coughing, is the time when the germs of PNEUMONIA, PLEURISY and CONSUMPTION find lodgment and multiply.
FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
stops the cough, heals and strengthens the lungs. It contains no harsh expectorants that strain and irritate the lungs, or opiates that cause constipation, a condition that retards recovery from a cold. FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR is a safe and never failing remedy for all throat and lung troubles.
The Doctors Said He Had Consumption — A Marvelous Cure.
L. M. Ruggles, Reasoner, Iowa, writes: "The doctors said I had consumption and I got no better until I used FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR. It helped me right from the start and stopped the spitting of blood and the pain in my lungs and today I am sound and well.
THREE SIZES 25c, 50c, and $1.00
REFUSE SUBSUITUTES
SOLD AND RECOMMENDED BY
The Avenue Drug Store.

Job
Printing
of all kinds done at this office. Give us a call. All work guaranteed.

Read
The Daily Independent
and get your Home News fresh every day. Only one cent.

Entire Satisfaction.
High Grade
Lumber and
Builders Supplies
We furnish estimates to contractors for all building material, such as glass,paints, hardware etc.
THE
Peoples Lumber Co
MONESSEN, PA.

CHARLEY & LEE,
Proprietors of
he Chinese Laundry.
All work done by Chinese methods with extra touches.
art Building, Corner Sixth St. and Schoonmaker Avenue

P. MUSICK, The Up-to-Date Grocer
I supply you with the kind of Groceries,every-likes. His Groceries and Provisions are the
st and freshest obtainable.
ers taken and goods promptly delivered.
-W Bell 'Phone. Schoonmaker Avenue.

H. SHUTTERLY & CO.
Carries a Complete Line of
, Canned and Bottled Goods, Smoked and Salt Meats, Flour and Feed.
Schoonmaker Ave., MONESSEN, PA.

On the Fence

By DONALD ALLEN

Copyright, 1906, by E. C. Parcells

All the farming population for five miles around said that it was a good match, that between Burt Adams, son of Deacon Adams, and Eunice Taylor, daughter of the Widow Taylor. The young folk had known each other as children. The parents approved the engagement, and the deacon went as far as to take his son by the hand and say:

"My son, she is a fine girl, and you will make no mistake in marryin' her. I shall feel toward her as my own daughter."

The engagement was announced and the wedding day set. Everything went well until the deacon's brother out in Wisconsin died and left him a legacy of $14,000 in cash. The deacon, who had lived without any of the luxuries of life was stunned for a time by the size of the legacy. He felt that it made him one of the millionaires of earth. The money, would have made some little difference to any man, no matter how level headed.

"We are on a different plane now," he said to his old wife, "and we must conform to the new circumstances. You won't wear calico any more and shall have a hired girl, and I shall do no more work except boss the hired man."

"And what about Burt?" was asked.

"He must go to college and become a lawyer or doctor."

"But he and Eunice are to be married, you know, and I don't believe he'll want to put it off."

"Look here, ma," said the deacon after thinking for awhile, "we can't let Burt throw himself away on no such girl. It might have done passably well when we were poor, but now we can buy out the whole county and have money left. He can't afford to tie himself to any such wife. To begin with, she don't look aristocratic."

"But do we?"

"Of course we do Any one would know to look at us that we had blood and money. In the second place, she has no style about her."

"And have we got?"

"Heaps of it. In the third place, she hain't got no eddication."

"But you and me never went to anything better'n district school," protested the wife, "while Eunice attended a seminary for two whole years. I thought she knew more'n all of us put together."

"But she don't. At the seminary she jest chawed gum and played the pianer. We hain't been braggin' around any, because that ain't the way of the Adamses, but we've got eddication 'nuff to pass in any crowd. When I talked with the governor at the county fair two years ago I felt perfectly to home. I must have a talk with Burt."

"I don't believe he will give her up. You know how obstinate he is about some things. If Eunice would give him up"—

"By thunder!" interrupted the deacon as he brought his fist down on the kitchen table with a bang.

"What is it?"

"I've got an idea, ma—one of the brightest ideas I ever had Keep mum. Don't say a word I'll tell you all about it tomorrer or next day. Don't say a single word to Burt, and don't go around lookin' as if you had somethin' on your mind."

'You—you hain't goin' to do anything desperate?" stammered the wife.

"Of course not. I'm simply goin' to work out my idea, and when I get ready to tell you you'll say I am about as sharp as they make 'em S-s-sh! Keep mum!"

The above conversation took place one evening, and at 9 o'clock the next morning the deacon was knocking at the door of Widow Taylor's farmhouse Eunice had driven to the village to do some "trading," and the fat and motherly widow was just finishing up the last of her morning's work.

"Why, deacon, is this you?" she asked as she answered the knock and held out her hand. "I hope none of the folks are sick?"

"No. The folks are all well."

"None of the cows ailing?"

"Nope."

"Well, you ought to be thankful for that. Won't you come in and sit down?"

"No, I guess not. The fact is, widder, I've come over to say somethin' to you"

"Well, say on."

"It's about Burt and Eunice. You know I am rich now. Got $14,000 in cold cash—$14 000 I'm the richest man in Plum county."

"Well?"

"Waal, I want to say that I want Burt to go to college and become a great lawyer or doctor. I don't want him to marry for three or four years yet, and when he does I'd like the woman to be—to be"—

"To be somebody better than Eunice Taylor," finished the widow as the deacon hung fire.

"I hain't sayin' that exactly, but you know that the eagle and the crow can't mate."

"I've heard that they couldn't. Is that what you came to say?"

"Yes, that's about all."

"Then you have finished and can go Good morning, Deacon Adams."

The widow turned away, and there was nothing for the deacon to do but go. He had got off better than he hoped for. He had expected to have a row, and he was elated that the widow had taken the matter so coolly. In coming he had come by the highway, but in returning he decided to take a short cut across the fields. To do this he must climb the fence of the widow's barnyard, and when he reached the top rail he sat for a moment to look around, slipped and found himself caught by a stout sliver and hanging head downward. He couldn't lift himself up, and the sliver wouldn't give way to his wiggles, and there was nothing to do but call out. He called lustily, and in about five minutes the widow appeared.

"Is there something you forgot to say?" she asked as she came up.

"You see I'm caught on the fence," he replied.

"Oh, that's it? It's singular what things happen to rich men. If any one had told me that a man worth f-o-u-r-t-e-e-n thousand dollars could be caught by a sliver on an old rail fence I should have said it was impossible. Are you enjoying the novelty of the situation?"

"Say, widder, I've got to ask you to help me out of this scrape. The blood's rushin' to my head till my ears roar."

"But as long as it's blue blood it won't hurt you. Take it calmly, deacon. All the wriggling around you can do won't tear the cloth nor break the sliver. I'm going back to the house."

"What! You goin' to leave me here hung up like this?"

"I'm going back to the house to skim the milk and get ready for churning."

"But I shall be a corpse in ten minutes more. My head's almost bustin' now."

"I shall be back in a quarter of an hour. While I'm gone you do some thinking Think about Burt and Eunice. Think about that f-o-u-r-t-e-e-n thousand dollars; think what a fool you are trying to make of yourself. You've got the swell head, deacon, and the rush of blood will be good for it. Because you've got $14,000 you are ready to swell up and bust and make yourself a laughingstock Get hold of yourself and get your common sense back."

"Don't leave me, widder!"

But she did. She went to the house and dallied around for a long twenty minutes and then returned. The deacon had been thinking. He was red in the face, and his nose was bleeding, and there was a roar like Niagara in his head.

"Widder," he said as he became aware that she had returned.

"Well?"

"I've got f-o-u-r-t-e-e-n thousand dollars, and I'm goin' to give Burt and Eunice $3,000 of it for a marriage present!"

"Very nice, I'm sure," replied the widow as she brought the ax and chopped the sliver and let him tumble to the ground.

Fetichism—New Style.

The case of a German student who is reported to have been arrested for tealing plaits of human hair is an example of what has been called fetichism, a not inapt use of an old term or an old tendency. A certain deceased English nobleman of the present generation who used to pocket the silver spoons of others when he went into society was never believed to do so in order to enrich himself. He was wealthy. A few years ago in a Manchester court an elderly man of many convictions was before the judge. He was not a mercenary thief. He had always stolen one particular thing, to the exclusion of all others—shovels. Similarly, one remembers a woman thief, with a long record of previous convictions, whose theft was always of one kind, and that not of a remunerative description. Her fetich was newly washed clothes hanging upon a line to dry, and she never tried to possess herself of anything else Fetichism is not confined to criminal psychology. There seems a strain of it in the normal mind. A distinguished university graduate and traveler told me that he found fetichism so universal that much of his recreation in going through the world lay in a constant attempt to discover the fetich of each person he met.—Manchester Guardian.

The Bahamans.

A most curious utensil of a Bahaman dwelling is a big cement oven, like a cone, at the back of the house In this the family bread is baked. Bahamans are physiologically starved, and their thin, attenuated forms show it. An unvarying diet of fish and fruit is not nourishing enough, and the fact speaks for itself in these islanders The white Bahamans are homely and sallow unless burned so that complexion is a thing of the past They rarely—some never wear shoes; hence feet in these latitudes are feet and not merely the ends of legs I used to gaze in admiration at the feet that daily and nightly visited our schooner The owners of the appendages could walk where a shod foot could not bear to tread The skin becomes tougher than leather. Black Bahamans are the finest specimens of the negro race to be seen outside of Africa—strapping fellows with magnificent arms and chests, but they are dreadful beggars and dreadful liars.—London Chronicle

Birch Bark Shoes.

Shoes and other articles besides baskets and cabinets are manufactured from birch bark by the Russian peasantry. The bark from which these articles are made is from the inner skin of the Russian birch tree, common in almost all parts of the empire. It is gathered spring and fall, and the process is a very simple one. An incision is first made around the trunk of the tree, and the peasants have a knack of tearing or unwinding the bark from the starting point, which gives them a strip of even width that they wind into a ball and keep through the winter until it is dry enough to use. It is then made into shoes, baskets and other useful articles. The bark shoes are universally worn by the Russian peasantry. Other shoes used in winter are made of sheep's wool. These are manufactured by itinerant cobblers who travel from house to house, using the peasants' own materials.

LUCE & KANE
Successors to W. A. Miller.
Livery and Transfer
Moving and General Hauling.
First class accommodations to everybody. If you want to hire a rig of any kind, give us a call.
Luce & Kane,
Donner Ave.

If Your Piano Is Worth Anything It Is Worth
Expert Tuning
Any Other Kind Will Ruin It
All My Work Guaranteed
Drop a Postal and I'll Call
E. M. DRAKE
33 E. Schoonmaker Ave.

J. H. Farquhar
Exclusive Dealer In Hay, Grain and Feed of all kinds.
PROMPT SERVICE GUARANTEED. ALL GOODS DELIVERED.
Donner Ave., Near Fourth Street.

MESSENGER
Orders left at Kirk's drug store will receive Prompt and Careful Attention.
JOHN W. NETH,
MONESSEN AND BELLE VERNON.
Pittsburg Headquarters, No. 11 Smithfield St

"FOLLOW THE FLAG
WABASH
$42.00
PITTSBURG
TO
PORTLAND,
SEATTLE,
LOS ANGELES,
SAN FRANCISGO.
AND OTHER PACIFIC COAST POINTS
Proportionate rates to intermediate points. Tickets on sale daily, February 15th to April [illegible]
[illegible] good returning 21 days from date of sale will be sold on the first and third Tuesday of each month [illegible] West, Northwest and South west, at greatly reduced rates for the round trip
[illegible] rates and routes [illegible] upon application to Wabash Ticket Office, [illegible] Pittsburg, Pa

W. W. LUCE
MONESSEN, PA
FIRE
LIFE
ACCIDENT
INSURANCE
Real Estates and Rented Collected.
Offices—Donner Avenue

A. M. WYANT,
Attorney,
Loeb Building, - Donner Avenue.
Legal Business Promptly Attended to. Weekly Trips to the County Seat

A. G. LEWIS,
Piano Tuning and Repair Work
Leave orders at
MONESSEN MUSIC COMPANY,
352 DONNER AVE.

The season of Indigestion is now at hand. Ring's Dyspepsa Tablets relieve indigestion and correct all stomach disorders. Sold by C. A. Light.

AN OLD MAN'S TRIBUTE.

An Ohio Fruit Raiser, 78 Years Old, Cured of a Terrible Case After Ten Years of Suffering.

When suffering daily torture
From backache, rheumatic pain,
Any ill of kidneys or bladder,
Turn to Doan's Kidney Pills.
A cure endorsed by thousands.
Read an old man's tribute.

Sidney Justus, fruit dealer, of Mentor, Ohio, says: "I was cured by Doan's Kidney Pills of a severe case of kidney trouble of eight or ten years' standing. I suffered the most severe backache and other pains in the region of the kidneys. These were especially severe when stooping to lift anything, and often I could hardly straighten my back. The aching was bad in the daytime, but just as bad at night, and I was always lame in the morning. I was bothered with rheumatic pains and dropsical swelling of the feet. The urinary passages were painful, and the secretions were discolored and so free that often I had to rise at night. I felt tired all day. Half a box served to relieve me, and three boxes effected a permanent cure."

SIDNEY JUSTUS.

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mr. Justus will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sold by all dealers; price, fifty cents per box.

One would think the Laxative idea in a cough syrup should have been advanced long before it was. It seems the only rational remedy for Coughs and Colds would be to move the bowels and clean the mucous membranes of the throat and lungs at the same time. Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar does this. It is the Original Laxative Coughs, Colds, Croup, Whooping Cough, etc. Tastes good and is harmless.—Sold by R. W. Beck.

The tar that is contained in Bee's Laxative Honey and Tar is harmless. It is not coal tar, but is obtained from the pine trees of our own native forests. Bee's Laxative Honey and Tar is the best remedy for colds because it acts on the bowels—thus expelling all colds from the system. Bee's is the original Laxative Honey and Tar, and is best for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough, lung and bronchial effections. Sold by C. A. Light.

Don't frown—look pleasant. If you are suffering from indigestion or sour stomach, take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. Hon. Jake Moore, of Atlanta, Ga., says: "I suffered more than 20 years with indigestion. A friend recommended Kodol. It relieved me in one day and I now enjoy better health than for many years." Kodol digests what you eat, relieves sour stomach, gas on stomach, belching, etc.—Sold by R. W. Beck.

A iquid cold cure for children that is pleasant, harmless and effective is Bee's Laxative Honey and Tar. Superior to all other cough syrups or cold remedies because it acts on the bowels. An ideal remedy for Coughs, Colds, Croup, Whooping Cough and all curable lung and bronchial effections in child or adult. Pleasant to take. Sold by C. A. Light.

If you are troubled with Piles and can't find a cure, try Witch Hazel Salve, but be sure you get that made by E. C. De Witt & Co., Chicago. It is the Original. If you have used Witch Hazel Salve without being relieved it is probable that you got hold of one of the many worthless counterfeits that are sold on the reputation of the genuine De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve.—Sold by R. W. Beck.

The gums and resins obtained from pine trees have long been reconized as highly beneficial in the treatment of backache, kidney and bladder troubles. Pine-ules is the name of a new medicine, the principle ingredients of which come from the pine forests of our own native land. Sold by C. A. Light.

Mothers everywhere praise One Minute Cough Cure for the sufferings it has relieved and the lives of their little ones it has saved. A certian cure for coughs, croup and whooping cough. Makes breathing easy, cuts out phlegm, and draws out the inflammation. It should be kept on hand for immediate use.—Sold by R W Beck.

It is not difficult to relieve blind bleeding, itching or protruding piles with Man Zan, the great pile remedy. It is put up in collapsible tubes with nozzle, and may be introduced and applied at the seat of the trouble. Stops pain instantly. Sold by C. A. Light.

Indigestion is much of a habit. Don't get the habit. Take a little Kodol Dyspepsia Cure after eating and you will quit belching, puffing, palpitating and frowning Kodol Digests what you eat and makes the stomach sweet —Sold by R. W. Beck.

For bloating, belching, indigestion,etc., eat a Ring,s Dysnepsia Tablet after meals. Sold by C. A. Light.

The best safeguard against headache, constipation and liver troubles is De Witt's Little Early Risers. Keep a vial of these famous little pills in the house and take a dose at bedtime when you feel that the stomach and bowels need cleansing. They don't gripe.—Sold by R. W. Beck.

Salve! Salve! Spread the Salve, but let it be Pine Salve, natures remedy for cuts, burns, sores, etc. Sold by C. A. Light.

Diphtheria, sore throat croup. Instant relief, permanent cure. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. At any drug tore.

For headache,constipation, etc.,Dade's Little Liver Pills are the best. They cleanse and tonic the liver. Sold by C. A. Light.

WEBSTER NOTES.

ir. R J Slear was visiting friends in to over Sunday.

arney White who has been seriously ill of e is slowly improving.

rs. Nancy Geist, of Monessen, was a ness caller in town yesterday.

, W. H. Cowan is confined to his e with a severe attack of La Grippe.

liss Dela Amann is unable to attend to er duties at the Federal Supply Store on ount of illness.

liss Iva Rothy, of Elizabeth, returned ome yesterday after a few days visit ent with her sister Mrs. R. L. McMahan.

Warren Haggerty has resigned his position at the Federal Supply Store, the vacancy is being filled by Mr. W. H. Craft, formerly of Grindstone.

Those Street Railways from Greensburg o Irwin and from West Newton to Vebster seem to be a thing of the past. Vill someone kindly revive them?

Chas. Snyder, the poultry breeder, already has some of the finest young chicks at ever cracked a shell. But wait until e incubator makes its report, he will n have the finest flock of young ooded chickens ever hatched in this cinity.

FOR CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

Charleroi Man is Fined $25.00 By Justice Rice.

$25 and costs or six months in jail was e salty dose given Pleasant Anderson veil known character, of Charleroi, by Justice Rice Saturday on a charge of uelty to animals perfered by humane fiicer Gelder. Anderson, it is alleged so neglected a horse belonging to him t it wandered in to an alley where it fi ally became so feeble that Anderson t it to put it out of its misery and neglected to remove the body. At the hear g it was stated by officer Gelder that a number of complaints had been received n neighbors concerning Andersons tment of the horse and that this is fifth time he has faced the justice on similar offence. Four horses it is alleged have died through h s neglect.

Pat Dolan To Be Cared For.

"Patrick Dolan is to return to his former employment in the coal mines," aid a prominent Pittsburg operator who s known the deposed official of the ne workers for many years. It is said at Dolan made arrangements for his old sition in the mines at Bridgeville before he went to the Indianapolis conven. His friends declare that he is a r man and was glad of the assurance t he would get his old job back.

Move To South Dakota.

The successful crops of the past years d the exceptional opportunities still ered the farmer, rancher or merchant Lyman county should induce you to stigate the openings there for your. Homeseekers' excursions at about lf rates via the Chicago, Milwaukee St. Paul Railway on first and third esdays in March and April. South akota book and Lyman county leaflet two cents postage.

John R. Pott,
District Pa senger Agent,
Room D, Park Bldg., Pittsburg, Pa.

Initiation and Banquet.

The Ben Hur lodge will meet this even ng in their rooms in Kelly's hall and af er a class initiation, in which about sixty new members will be initiated, a anquet will be served by the ladies of e order. The Charleroi team will have e initiation in charge. The prospects r the local council are exceedingly ght and the membership is constantly creasing.

Bowling Match.

The Monessen Bowling team will have e Wilmerding five on their own alley Wednesday evening. The members will et at the depot in time for the 5:40 in. The local boys took 3 straight from ilmerding here recently. The team ll be composed of Schuler, Doney, ark, McKenzie, Byers and Henry.

Awfully Slow.

He—Darling, I have loved you ever since first we met. She Well, why didn't you say so long ago? Did you think I was a mind reader?

A man should be upright, not be kept upright.—Marcus Aurelius.

THE MAELSTROM.

How It Feels to Be on the Edge of the Great Whirlpool.

Off the coast of Norway, between two islands of the Lofoden group, is the largest whirlpool in the world. Its name, Maelstrom, means "whirling stream," and the title is well earned.

The great Maelstrom is no longer held in superstitious fear, and maritime charts have taught the sailors of the world where the danger lies and how to avoid it, so that accidents rarely occur—never except through ignorance or a previous disaster that has rendered a vessel unmanageable.

Several years ago the captain of a sailing vessel, desirous of seeing the famous whirlpool at close quarters, was assured by his Norwegian pilot that he might venture near enough for examination without danger. And here is what the captain saw:

"I went on the main topsail yard with a good glass. I had been seated but a few minutes when my ship entered the dish of the whirlpool. The velocity of the water altered her course three points toward the center. This alarmed me extremely for a moment. I thought destruction was inevitable. But she answered her helm nobly, and we ran along the edge, the waters foaming round us in every form.

"The sensations I experienced are difficult to describe. Imagine an immense circle running round of a diameter of one and a half miles, the velocity increasing as it approximated the center and gradually changing its dark blue color to white, foaming, tumbling, rushing to its vortex, very much concave—as much so as the water in a funnel when half run out. The noise, too, hissing, roaring, dashing, all pressing on the mind at once, presented the most awful, grand and solemn sight I ever beheld. We were near it about eighteen minutes and in sight of it two hours. It is evidently a subterranean passage. From its magnitude I should not doubt that instant destruction would be the fate of a dozen of our largest ships were they drawn in at the same moment. The pilot says that several vessels that had become unmanageable have been sucked down and that whales have also been destroyed."

THE SHOW WINDOW.

Don't neglect the upper part of the window.

Don't stick to one style of trimming. Branch out.

Don't skimp on elbow grease in cleaning the glass.

Don't wait till a trim is fly specked before changing it.

Don't overlook the utility of a certain number of fixtures.

Don't be afraid to try something new in the way of a display.

Don't fill a sunny window with goods that the sun will discolor.

Don't let the window stand too long. A week is about the limit.

Don't be afraid to spend a little money on the trim. It will come back.

Don't fail to call the local newspaper's attention to each nice trim that you make.

Don't prolong the trimming unnecessarily. A quick change will impress the public more.

Don't copy. But you can elaborate or change some one else's ideas without being open to the criticism of copying. —Exchange.

A Wonderful Faculty of the Triton.

The triton, a spotted, lizardlike reptile found in almost every state in the Union, has a most wonderful power of reproducing amputated parts. Bonnot, the great French naturalist, experimented on the little creatures by amputating their legs and tails and by so doing found that their powers of reproduction were almost unlimited. In one instance an amputated leg was reproduced twelve times in three years, and in another an eye was gouged out and reproduced in less than twelve months. The loss of a tail does not appear to discommode a triton except to give him a sort of unbalanced gait. Tails clipped from the specimens Bonnot kept to experiment on were invariably reproduced in from five to nine weeks.

The Donjon.

The donjon, or keep, of the castle was a tower within, much stronger than the rest of the structure and designed as a last resort for the garrison when the walls and other portions of the fortification had fallen into the hands of the enemy. The donjon was generally provided with a secret exit, a tunnel being constructed, often many hundreds of yards in length, leading to some concealed outlet through which the besieged could receive succor or, in time of necessity, escape.

Rather Mixed.

"Say, Jack, what have you that string tied around your finger for?"

"Oh, that is to remind me that I forgot something my wife told me to be sure to remember."—Baltimore American.

A Sure Sign.

The honeymoon may very properly be said to be over when the wife suggests to her husband that he'd better have his trousers pressed by a tailor.—Detroit Free Press.

In Methuselah's Time.

Kind Old Lady—What ails the baby? He looks healthy, I'm sure. The Nurse—Oh, he is, the little dear! But he's peevish today on account of cutting his whiskers.—Puck.

A small teaspoonful of powdered gum arabic, with the same amount of glycerin, stirred into a tumblerful of cold water and drunk slowly, will often work wonders in quenching thirst.

Queer Salt.

In Lapland they have no salt, and the bark of the fir tree is used as a substitute. The Lapps peel the bark from the trunk of the tree, carefully remove the epidermis and then divide the inner bark into quite a number of very thin layers. During the brief but extremely hot Lapland summer the layers are exposed to the sun until thoroughly dried; then they are torn into narrow strips and placed in boxes made of fresh bark taken from other trees. Deep holes are then dug in the sand, and the bark boxes are buried in them, where they are allowed to remain for about three days. The second day fires are made over places where the boxes are buried and kept burning briskly for several hours. The heat penetrates deep into the sand, turns the fir bark a deep red color and gives to it a pleasing taste and odor. Finally the boxes are unearthed, the fir strips are pounded or ground into a coarse powder, and the Lapps use it just as we do salt, only much more sparingly, because it is so troublesome to prepare.

Got Haydn Interested.

Sir Joshua Reynolds was once commissioned to paint a portrait of Haydn, the celebrated composer. Haydn went to the residence of the painter and gave him a sitting, but soon grew tired. Sir Joshua would not paint a man of such genius with a stupid countenance and adjourned the sitting. The same weariness and want of expression occurring at the next attempt, Sir Joshua communicated the circumstance to the commissioning prince, who contrived a stratagem. He sent to the painter's house a pretty German girl in the service of the queen. Haydn took his seat for the third time, and as soon as the conversation began to lag a curtain rose, and the fair German addressed him in his native tongue with a compliment. Haydn, delighted, overwhelmed the enchantress with questions, his countenance recovered its animation, and Sir Joshua rapidly and successfully seized its traits.

Swiss Funeral Customs.

The funeral customs among some of the Swiss are most peculiar. At the death of a person the family inserts a formal black edged announcement in the papers asking for sympathy and stating that "the mourning urn" will be exhibited certain hours on a special day. In front of the house where the person died there is placed a little black table, covered with a black cloth, on which stands a black jar. Into this the friends and acquaintances of the family drop little black margined visiting cards, sometimes with a few words of sympathy on them. The urn is put out on the table on the day of the funeral. No one except men ever goes to the churchyard, and they generally follow the hearse on foot, though sometimes carriages are used. The horses that draw the hearse have long black cloaks on, with places cut out for them to see through.

To Ascertain Your Brain Power.

Do you possess well formed and evenly balanced features? This is the rule: judge for yourself: The height of your forehead, from your hair to the line of your brow, should be the same as the length of your nose, and both should be commensurate with the depth from the base of your nose to the extremity of your chin, so making three equal divisions. Have you an excess or deficiency of brain power? This question you may answer to your own satisfaction by contrasting the bulk of your head visible above or below a line drawn horizontally through the center of each eye and which normally divides the head into two equal parts.

A Noted Talker.

Dismal stories used to be told of Lady Hester Stanhope's portentous power of talk. "I," said her hapless doctor, "have sat listening for eight, ten—nay, twelve or thirteen—hours at a time!" Mr. Way remained from 8 o'clock one afternoon till dawn next morning tete-a-tete with her, and Lady Hester once kept Mr. N. so long in discourse that he fainted away. No wonder Mr. N. soon expressed a wish to return to Europe.—London Standard.

Terrible Malady.

"Isn't it ridiculous of these scientists to say kissing is dangerous?" scornfully remarked the pretty young man.

"Why, of course, it's dangerous," replied the crabbed old bachelor.

"What disease could it possibly lead to if we"—

"Matrimony."—Philadelphia Press.

Clever Youngster.

Mamma—Now, look here, Tommy, didn't I give you a penny yesterday to be good? Tommy—Yes, ma, and I'm trying to be as bad as I can today just to let you see that you got a good pennyworth yesterday.

It Was Worth the Five.

A rich heiress once said complacently to a very beautiful but poor girl, "I had five offers of marriage last week."

"You are more fortunate than I," said the pretty girl; "I only got declarations of love."

To the Crack of Doom.

The Colonel—I fancy your wife lost her temper today. Smith—Not a bit of it. She has an inexhaustible supply.—Illustrated Bits.

An Expensive Complaint.

Howell—What is your wife's trouble? Powell—Cataract. She wants me to take her to Niagara falls.—New York Press.

Conjugal Felicities.

"Mabel, I sometimes think you only married me for my money."

"Those lucid intervals are encouraging."

Monkeys and Cocoanuts.

"The old story about monkeys climbing up cocoanut trees and firing nuts down on people that pass under them, as related in the old fashioned story books, is exploded by the facts," remarked a man who has been in South America. "The fact is that cocoanuts are never plucked off the trees. They are fastened on by a fiber that would require the strength of a Hercules to break, and no monkey was ever born in the world that could pluck one of them. I have read many stories about monkeys climbing these trees, but after five years' experience as a resident of Porto Cortes, Honduras, during which time my business has taken me out in the forests, I have never seen a monkey attempt to climb a cocoanut tree. They have no limbs, only a small bunch of foliage on the top, and each tree bears from eight to ten nuts."

A Peculiar City.

A traveler's tale has it that Naughanu, a Siamese city, home of the royal family, is a sort of municipal harem. Its population is composed of women and children alone. It is in the center of Bangkok, has high walls around it, and in its population of 9,000 there is not a single man, though the king occasionally pays a visit. There are shops, markets, temples, theaters, streets and avenues, parks, lakes, trees and flower gardens, a hall of justice, judges, executioner, police, generals and soldiers, all the positions, official and otherwise, being filled by women. The only man in all Siam who can enter this city is the king.

The First Sapphire.

There is an Indian legend that Brahma, the creator, once committed a sin that he might know the torments of remorse and thus be able to sympathize with mortals. But the moment he had committed it he began repeating the mantras, or prayers of purification, and in his grief dropped on the earth a tear, the hottest that ever fell from an eye, and from it was formed the first sapphire.

Wondrous Evolution.

"In the slow evolution of the race," mused the elephant, looking with languid interest at the throng of curious gazers that stood on the outside of the ropes and fed him with cakes, peanuts and candy, "how many millions of years it must require to evolve from the shapeless and rudimentary projection on the face of the creature called man the full and perfect proboscis!"

The Dardanelles.

The Dardanelles is celebrated in ancient history on account of Xerxes and Alexander having crossed it, the former in 480 B. C. to enter Europe and the latter in 334 B. C. to enter Asia. At the point where Alexander crossed young Leander nightly swam the Hellespont to visit Hero—a feat performed in modern times by Lord Byron.

Making It Worse.

"What silly verses that woman is reciting!"

"I wrote them, sir!"

"Ah—oh, yes—to be sure—clever lines, but horribly delivered, don't you know. Woman must be a fool to bungle 'em so. Who is she?"

"My wife, sir!"

Got What He Wanted.

Auctioneer—Going! Going! Gone! Here, sir, it's yours. Great bargain, sir. The frame alone is worth the price. Connoisseur (ripping out the picture)—The frame is what I wanted. —New York Weekly.

You cannot find an instance of any man who is permitted to lay out his own time contriving not to have tedious hours.—Johnson.

FROM THE ICY NORTH
to
THE SUNNY SOUTH
via the
IRON MOUNTAIN ROUTE

MEXICO-ST. LOUIS SPECIAL

Leaves St. Louis every Tuesday and Friday at 9 a. m. Only 59 hours to Mexico City. Special rates now in effect. For information, schedules and illustrated literature descriptive of Mexico, address John R. James, Central Passenger agent 315 Bessemer Building, Pittsburg, Pa.

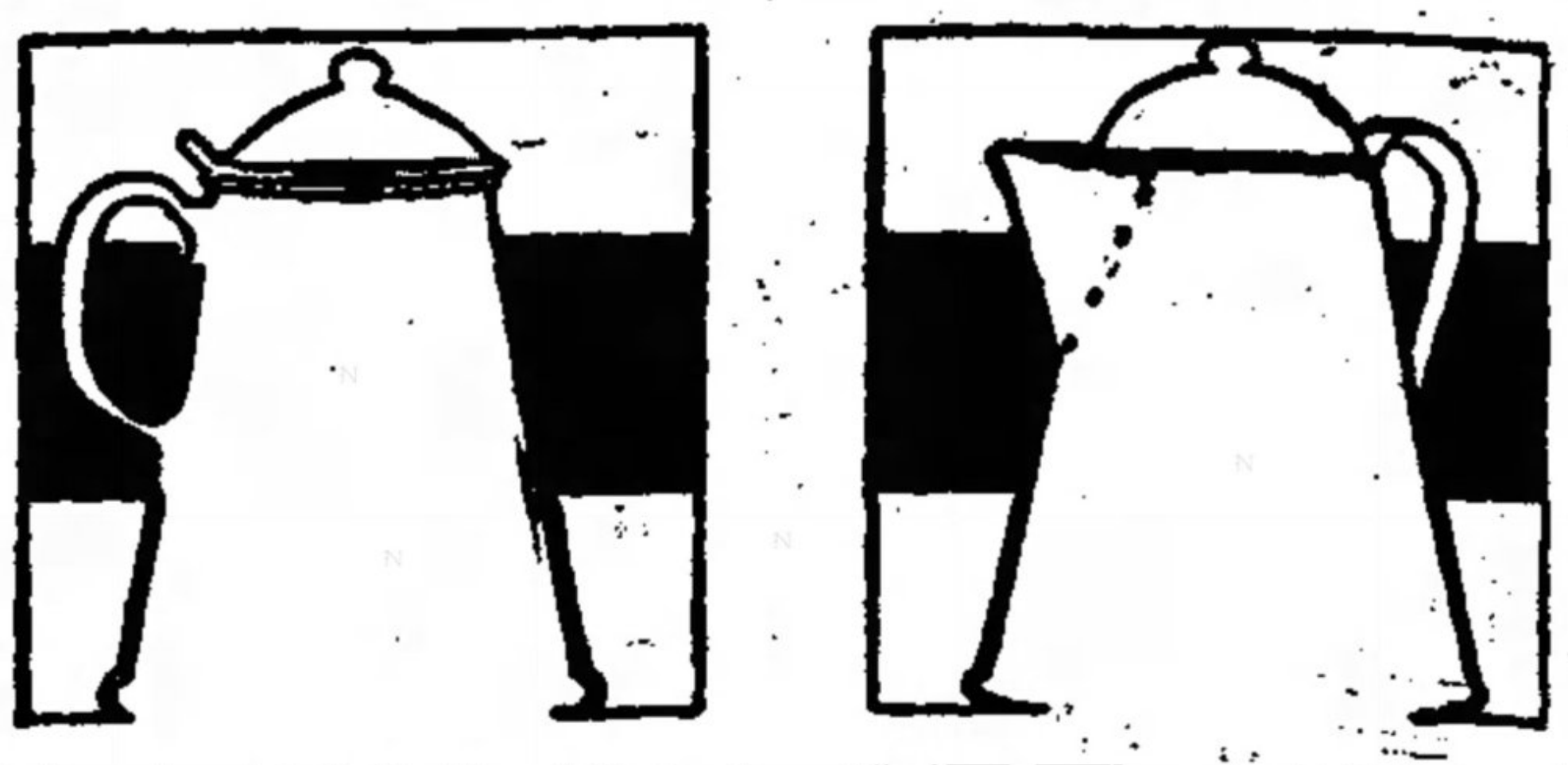
HOWARD'S
RESTAURANT
FIFTH STREET
Open Day and Night.

We serve meals at regular hours. First-class service . . . . .

HOWARD BROTHERS
Proprietors.

CALL AND SEE
J. A. JOHNSON
...The Tonsoral Artist....
FIFTH STREET
For neat work, Hair cutting, Shaving and Massaging
A Specialty

THE BEER STEIN
VERSUS
THE COFFEE POT



Theine and caffeine—the active alkaloidal principles of tea and coffee—are in no respect foods.
Acting as a temporary stimulant, their use is usually followed by a more or less depressing reaction dependent on one's physical condition.
The malt of pure beer has definite food-value, and imparts permanent tonicity to the entire human body.
Monessen Brewery Beer is rich in malt properties.
Its discriminating use in hot weather cools the blood and gratefully soothes and nourishes the nervous system.
Free yourself from the bondage of tea and coffee by drinking Monessen Brewery Beer at meal times. Its purity is absolute. Order a case sent home.
Sold at leading bars and cafes. Hygienically brewed by
The Independent Brewing Co.
of Pittsburgh
Brewers of the far-famed Duquesne Silver Top Beer.

...JACOB LEAR...
901 Schoonmaker Avenue
MONESSEN, PENNA.

Fresh Fish, Butter, Eggs, Meats and Poultry

And Everything that is Kept in a First-class Meat Market . . .

GIVE US A CALL.

NEW MEAT MARKET.
Fresh and Smoked Meats
Poultry a Specialty. -:- -:-
Give us a trial, you'll not regret it. All will receive prompt and courteous treatment.
1041 Schoonmaker Ave.
SAMUEL GIFFIN, Proprietor.
CHAS. WEBB, Manager.

The Best of Groceries and Fresh Meats are none too good.
BUTTER CHURNED THE DAY IT IS SHIPPED
We also handle a line of Fresh Vegetables.
Warman's Grocery,
Cor. 1st and SCHOONMAKER AVE.

EELS
Here upon our daily stand,
We have fish at your demand,
And all the doctors in the land,
Say, too, much meat is bad for Man, Fish is good and can't be beat, So much superior to any meat Satisfaction guaranteed, With all the good eggs you may need.
Monessen F. & P Co.
Corner 4th and Schoonmaker.

The NEW GRAND
The Most Centrally Located
And Best Equipped Hotel
In the City.
Adam Schade, Propr.
Donner Ave, MONESSEN, PA

C. H. SNYDER, Breeder
S. C. W. Plymouth Rocks.
and S. C. B. Minorcas.
No more stood for sale until Sept. 1 1908. I will ship eggs as soon as weather permits. Eggs from my select breeders,
$3.00 per 15
No Discount Box 1, WEBSTER, PA.

Get your News
Fresh daily. No salted News in the Daily Independent.

I. W.
HARPER
KENTUCKY
WHISKEY
For Gentlemen who cherish Quality.
For sale by J. A. Sheets